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DIV OF OIL GAS & MAINING 1594 WEST NORTH TEMPLE, SUITE 1210, BX 145801 SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84114		D53853		
NOTICE OF TENTATIVE DECISION TO APPROVE NO. M/049/011 BEFORE THE DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, STATE OF UTAH				
IN THE MATTER OF TENTATIVE DECISION TO APPROVE THE MINING AND RECLAMATION PLAN FOR LARSEN LIMESTONE'S PELICAN POINT QUARRY, UTAH COUNTY, UTAH.				
THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL OPERATORS, TAKERS OF PRODUCTION, MINERAL AND ROYALTY OWNERS, AND PARTICULARLY ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 6 SOUTH, RANGE 1 EAST, SLBM, UTAH COUNTY, UTAH.				
Notice is hereby given by the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining of its tentative decision to approve Larson Limestone's Large Mining and Reclamation Plan for the Pelican Point Quarry. Mining activities will effect the following area: E1/2 of Section 31; Township 6 South, Range 1 East, Utah County, Utah.				
Larson Limestone has submitted a large mining operation permit application to mine in an existing quarry which was previously permitted as a small mining operation.				
The operator will employ the following mining and reclamation techniques on approximately 33.4 acres of private land.				
During Operations: The Pelican Point Quarry extracts and processes limestone aggregate rock primarily for use as road base and other construction products. These uses for the aggregate rock product are the chief revenue source. When veins or lenses of "high-grade" limestone ore are encountered in the mining process, it is extracted and processed separately. These high-grade deposits have a higher calcium carbonate content and are lower in silicates. When feasible, this high-grade limestone is sold as a secondary product and is generally used in air emission control systems.				
Limestone rock is quarried from the hillside by standard drilling and blasting methods. When blasting is conducted, it is contracted out to a qualified company trained in blasting design and practices. Typical blasting frequency averages six times a year. Once the rock is removed it is separated and adjusted to specific sizes in two facilities - the Crushing Plant and the Grinding Plant. When high-grade limestone ore is encountered, this material is delivered to the "Grinding Plant" where it is processed then stored in two silos to await transit to market.				
To minimize the hazards for public safety the operator will: 1) close or guard any shafts and tunnels to prevent unauthorized or accidental entry; 2) properly dispose of trash, scrap metal and wood, and extraneous debris; 3) plug or cap exploration holes; 4) post appropriate warning signs in locations where public access to operations is readily available; and 5) construct berms, fences and/or barriers above highwalls or other dangerous excavations when required by DOGM.				
Following Operations Minimize hazards to the public safety and welfare by: 1) permanently sealing any shafts and tunnels; 2) appropriately dispose of any remaining trash, scrap metal and wood, buildings, extraneous debris, and other materials incident to mining; 3) plug exploratory holes; 4) post appropriate warning signs in locations where public access to operations is readily available; 5) construct berms, fences and/or barriers above highwalls or other excavations when required by DOGM.				
Deleterious or potentially deleterious material shall be safely removed from the site or left in an isolated or neutralized condition such that adverse environmental effects are eliminated or controlled.				
Disturbed areas will be regraded to a stable configuration and sloped to minimize safety hazards and surface erosion while providing for successful revegetation. Onsite roads and pads shall be reclaimed when they are no longer needed for operations or postmining uses. When a road or pad is turned over to the property owner or another land managing agency for continuing use, the operator shall turn over the property with adequate surface drainage structures and in a condition suitable for continued use.				
Recontoured areas will be drill seeded where possible using principally native plant species. Seeding will be done in the late fall.				
Except as noted in the Variance Section of the mine plan, all buildings and associated mining related facilities (including buildings, processing structures, conveyors, storage structures, etc.) will be dismantled and hauled off-site to appropriate salvage, scrap and disposal areas. Concrete footings, foundations, etc., will be crushed with on-site processing equipment and sold as aggregate products, or buried under the recontoured fill material.				
The pad and fill materials where the surface facilities are located will also be sold as product. The fill materials will be removed to the approximate original contour and graded to a stable configuration. Once the original land configuration is achieved, the facilities area including the haul road will be ripped to a depth of 12 inches, followed by fertilization (if needed) and drill seeding.				
The person representing the company is Mr. Mark Hardman; Phone (801) 768-4820. Larson Limestone is fulfilling obligations under the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, Utah Code Ann. ss 40-8-18.				
Any person or agency aggrieved by this tentative decision to issue approval is hereby requested to submit written protest within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director of Mining, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210, Box 145801, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801, setting forth factual reasons for the complaint. If no responsive written protests are received by the Division within 30 days after the last date of publication, the tentative decision of the Division will be final.				
DATED THIS 9th day of November, 1998.				
STATE OF UTAH DIV. OF OIL, GAS AND MINING Lowell P. Braxton Director				

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